

Attorney I

DEPARTMENT: Legislative Service Bureau – Legal Division

STATUS: Full-Time

HOURS: 37.5 hours per week | 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday

FIRST-YEAR SALARY: \$58,666 annually

JOB LOCATION: Boji Tower-3rd Floor, 124 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

This employee functions as an entry level staff attorney serving as nonpartisan Legal Counsel to the Michigan Legislature. The Attorney I position includes assisting legislators and their staff in drafting bills, substitutes, and amendments and tracking them through the legislative process. Employee trains to learn legislative drafting rules and become a subject-matter expert in an assigned area. Employee attends legislative committee and workgroup meetings, performs legal research, and prepares legal memoranda.

The Legal Division of the Legislative Service Bureau consists of four levels of attorney positions. Each level is similar in its core set of functions for the division, but each level requires progressively more depth and breadth of specialized knowledge, expertise, and responsibility.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Possession of Juris Doctorate from an accredited law school with a minimum 3.0 GPA required.
- Must possess current membership in good standing in the State Bar of Michigan.
- Previous legal work experience with state statutes, state government operations, and the legislative process helpful.
- Demonstrated legal research skills and knowledge of research resources required.
- · Excellent legal writing skills required.
- Excellent oral and interpersonal communication skills required, including the ability to work with diverse personalities.
- Ability to work collaboratively with others in a team environment.
- Must be willing and able to work overtime and irregular hours as required, including weekends, evenings and holidays.

HOW TO APPLY

Online applications only are being accepted through the State of Michigan's NEOGOV system at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/michigan. Applicants must include the following three items as separate attachments in their online application in order to be considered: 1) cover letter outlining interest and qualifications, 2) resume, and 3) copy of law school transcript. The deadline to apply is 12:00 pm on Monday, June 13, 2016.

Current Legislative Council employees who wish to apply should contact the LSB Human Resources Office at humanresources@legislature.mi.gov or call 517-373-9643.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION

The Legislative Council is a nonpartisan legislative information and service agency. The LSB Legal Division provides the Michigan Legislature with nonpartisan legal counsel, bill drafting, law compilation and publishing, and related services that support the lawmaking process. This is an unclassified, non-Civil Service position in State government. All Legislative Council employees are considered "at-will," with the exception of LSB Printing Division union members. All employees must be non-partisan.

For questions, call the Legislative Service Bureau Human Resources Office at (517) 373-9643.

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